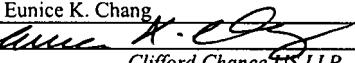




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Enclosed herewith please find our Remarks in Response to the Final Office Action dated December 1, 2006. Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in view of the following Remarks is respectfully requested.

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